

# **Energy Storage Valuation and Modeling**

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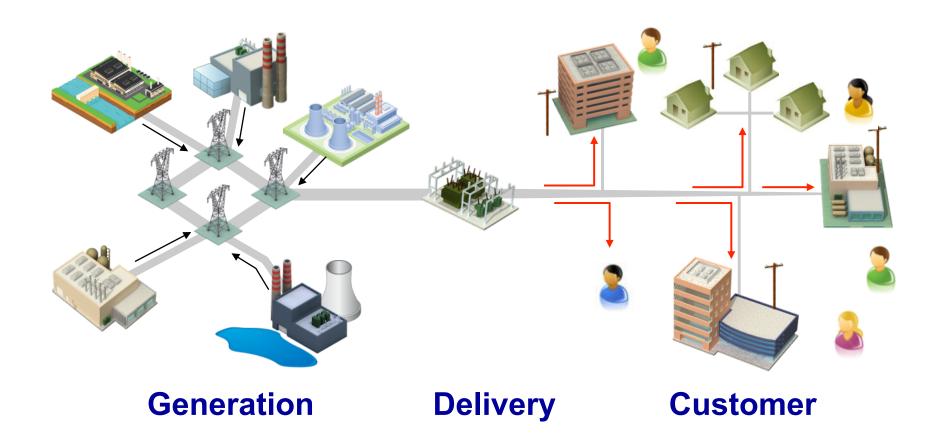
#### **Together...Shaping the Future of Electricity**

#### **EPRI's Mission**

Advancing safe, reliable, affordable, and environmentally responsible electricity for society through global collaboration, thought leadership and science & technology innovation.

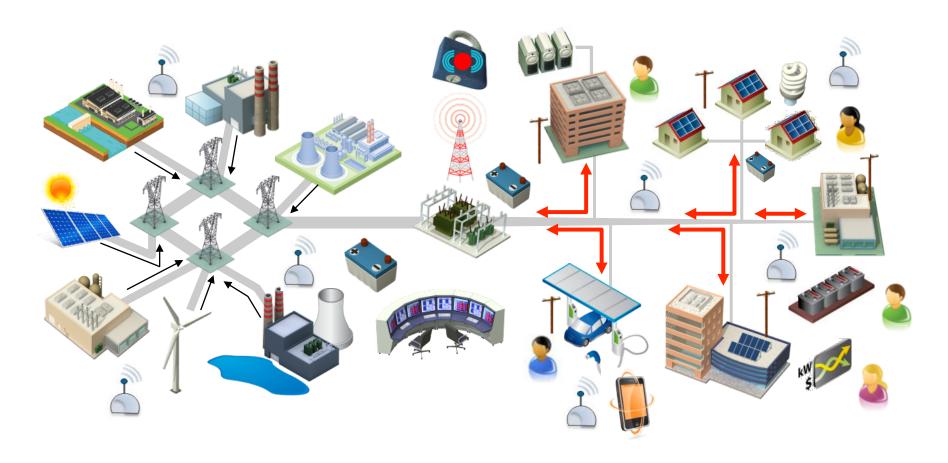


### **Today's Power System**



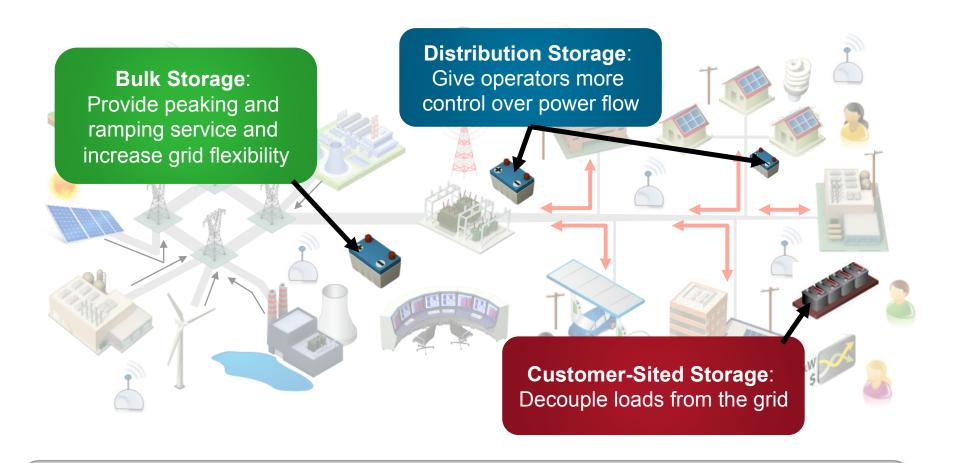


### **Tomorrow's Power System**



A Highly Interconnected Power System that Optimizes Energy Resources

### **Tomorrow's Power System**



Energy storage can play key roles across the grid

#### **Energy Storage: A Flexible Asset for the Grid**

- The grid is a just-in-time supply system, designed to deliver energy as it is produced
- Storage can act as a buffer, making the grid more flexible to accommodate more variable renewable generation
- Storage can provide temporary local power, increasing grid reliability and resiliency
- Storage can improve asset utilization on the grid, reducing the potential for future rate increases















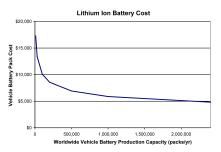
#### The historical challenges are fading

- Technical challenges
  - Performance
  - Life
  - Efficiency
- Economic Challenges
  - High Costs
  - Small Value Streams
- Regulatory Challenges
  - Lack of clear definition
  - Framework designed for existing grid

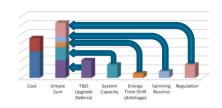




#### **Advanced Technologies**







**New Business Models** 



Legislative **Action** 



Regulatory Rulings

#### ...but many challenges remain

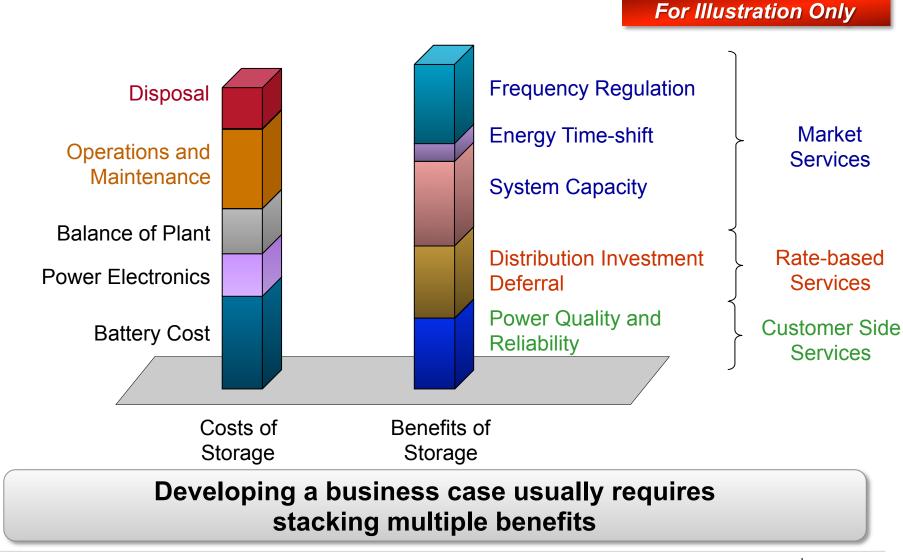
- Costs and performance factors of technology solutions must be better understood
- Tools for understanding the value and grid impacts of storage are still in development
- Grid-ready technology solutions are the exception, not the rule
- Deployment, integration, operations, maintenance, and disposal are still major unknowns
- Deployment of storage technology can be better integrated into utility planning and operations processes to improve reliability and reduce costs





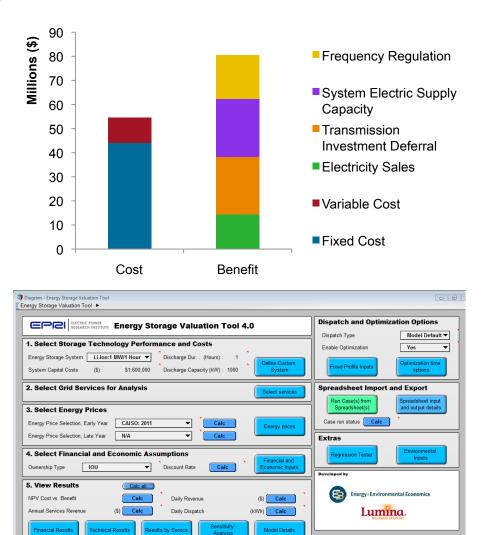


#### **Analyzing the Value of Storage**



#### **Developing analysis tools**

- Publicly available tools and methods to fairly, transparently, and consistently estimate the benefits and costs of energy storage projects across all cases
  - Grid Services
  - Technologies and Sizes
  - Locations
- Ability to identify and characterize high value locations to deploy energy storage, so that early successes in energy storage maximize value to all stakeholders



**Energy Storage Valuation Tool 4.0** 



## An Opportunity: Publicly Available Energy Storage Valuation Software funded by California Energy Commission

#### What is it?

- Cloud-Hosted Energy Storage Valuation Software
- Customized for California Needs
- Available in 2016







- A software platform for transparent, validated estimation of energy storage project benefits and cost
- Include all CPUC use cases and storage technologies under consideration
- Achieve broad stakeholder buy-in on approach and support highest value uses











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